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### RANGER HONORED FOR RESCUE



RANGER HONORED-Rodger Kellogg left, gets "hero's medal from Bill Marshall, chief ranger of San Luis Obispo Coast Area. Kellogg was honored by his co-workers last month for saving a man who nearly drowned at Pismo SB.

## HONORARY RANGER DUNSHEE DIES

California has lost Verna Wood Dunshee, one of the California State Park Rangers Association's most honored Honorary Rangers.

Mrs. Dunshee was an early campaigner for the Point Reyes National Seashore, and lobbied tirelessly for preservation of Stinson Beach, Angel Island, Samuel P. Taylor State Park, Tomales Bay and the bird sanctuary at Richardson Bay.

She exemplified the spirit of Honorary Ranger during her entire lifetime. Her selfless contributions to mankind's benefit will always be remembered.

Rodger Kellogg's co-workers at San Luis Obispo Coast Area gave him a hero's welcome at last month's potluck.

Although the "medal" was more or less in jest, Area Manager Chuck Lyden plans to recommend him for a special commendation.

Rodger is credited with saving the life of a man who became trapped in rough surf when he attempted to rescue his daughter who had also been in trouble in the surf.

Responding to an emergency call Rodger plunged into the surf fully clothed, and reached Mr. Ken Goodman just as he passed out from exhaustion. Kellogg placed Goodman over an air mattress and towed him to shore. Goodman was treated at the hospital and released. His daughter made it to shore by her self.

Rodger has been a ranger in the Department for the past four years and is a past Regional Director of CSPRA.

#### SAT. Afternoon at GEC

By Clark Dooley

For those of you who weren't able to make it to Morro Bay for the GEC, you sure missed some great activities and program presentations. Two very informative programs were presented Saturday afternoon, after the general business of the GEC had been concluded. Dr. Gaskin, an instructor at Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo, presented a slide talk on "Alternatives to the use of Pesticides'. Particular emphasis was placed on knowing the specifications of any chemical you may use to solve any problems. READ THE LABEL! Dr. Gaskin reviewed what is meant by the "Dangerous", "Warning", and "Cautions" printed on labels of most chemicals. He stressed the wearing of proper protective clothing when Continued on page 6

#### President's Message

Well, the 1973 GEC is behind us and now we can look ahead to Santa Cruz in 1974.

According to my own feelings and many expressions from others, Morro Bay was our most successful conference, not only in the area of fraternization but in the area of accomplishment as well. Attendance was larger than ever before and enthusiasm and interest were at a high level. The involvement of our younger members was particularly impressive and evidenced by their acceptance of the responsibility of chairing three new and extremely important committees.

My report for 1972-73 will appear in the council minutes. It is too lengthy to be printed in this issue so I will confine my remarks here only to those pertinent points which are related to the unanimoulsy approved increase in dues. All of my recommendations require money. Under our former dues structure, there were few actions we could take to accomplish our objectives. Under our new structure, we can expand our activities and contribute in positive actions to meet our goals, establish ourselves as a truly professional association, and return important benefits to our members. Here's where your money will go:

The 1974 State Parks Bond Issue: We're going to support this in a very real way. Committee Chairman Jerry Henderson is already mapping out a campaign of active involvement.

Interpretive Equipment Needs:
Chairman John Kolb of the Sierra
Area has this committee. The committee will study all areas within
our regions to determine interpretive equipment needs necessary to
do quality interpretive programs.
When needs are determined and priorities set, CSPRA will purchase
and donate the equipment to one or
more areas each year.
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#### MEMBERS MAILBOX

Dear Oren,

Have been terminated from Dept. since end of Oct., 1972. Became Park Supt. of the Mid-Willamette Valley Regional Park & Recreation Agency in Oregon since November first.

I am responsible for the parks in two counties and the City of Salem—the state capitol of Oregon. Great job, great people—the way Calif. used to be! That is saying a lot from a native Californian! Enclosed is a buck. If you can keep the REPORTER coming for a while will appreciate it. Regards to all.

/s/Frank Bellinghausen 1556 Joplin Street S. Salem, Oregon 97302

Dear Oren:

Let's toss this proposal out to the Rangers. Since we are a conservation organization and ecology orientated, what do you think of the Rangers wearing an ecology patch/symbol on their right shoulder to demonstrate our awarness.

If we get a positive response, we can bring this matter up with the uniform committee.

/s/Paul Hladik



BOARD OF DIRECTORS 73 & 74—from left, Region I Director Joe Hood, Region II Dir. Mel Badger, Region III Dir. Caleb Smith, Jr. Past Pres. Wes Cater, Pres. Jack Welch, Region IV Dir. Ron McCall, Vice Pres. Hermna Schlerf Region V Dir. Lou Wakefield, Region VI Dir. Loren Dietz, Region VII Dir. Dick Brock.

Dear Oren,

FAVORITE SON: FACT OR FALLACY With very little supporting information, I have heard it expressed that Rangers who have completed the Ranger Trainee Program had a marked advantage in placing on the Ranger II list.

Should this expression be a bona-fide concern of some Rangers, we ought to bring the subject to light. The REPORTER provides an excellent means for such subjects. I encourage any Ranger who feels he was slighted because of the Ranger Trainee Program to write down his thoughts and send them in to the REPORTER.

/s/Ken Jones

Ed. Note: Doug Bryce shares this letter with us.

Dear Doug:

Enclosed please find my check for \$9.00 dues for CSPRA membership 1973. I never seem to remember that these dues are payable on the first of the year! Too busy retiring, I suppose.

Along that line, I wonder if the Council ever considered offering a one-time life membership fee for retired Park Rangers. Fees could be based on actuary tables, that I am sure, could be obtained from the CSEA offices. Such an alternative could save money for the retired member as well as the CSPRA, what with a reduction in mailing costs, bookeeping, etc. Can you pass this thought along?

Doug you will never know, until you retire, how soon and how easily you can drift away from the many friends and associates you have worked with and admired over many years. In my case it took about two years of retirement for this to happen. I hope I am an exception, due to my health condition, that leaves me practically "home-bound". Those that leave behind appear to forget real soon also. About the only Park visitors we ever see at Bonny Doon, are other retired State Park Rangers and their wives.

/s/Jess Chaffee

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Dear Oren,

A subject that I keep meaning to bring up when I see you concerns "Training" related articles. I was not aware that articles in the REPORTER usually mis-name the Departmental Training Center until being assigned here. Since working at the Center, I have read names as the "Training Institute", "Training Academy", and "Ranger Training Center". The training staff is attempting to standardize and reduce all names to one; "Training Center". We feel you could assist by changing incorrect references to the Training Center prior to print... Every little change helps. Any effort expended on this matter will be greatly appreciated.

/s/Ken Jones



SATURDAY MORNING QUESTION AND ANS-WER PERIOD WITH DIRECTOR MOTT



COCKTAIL HOUR AT GEC—Over 230 persons attended the banquet.





#### Just Duck Walks?

By K.R. Morgan

It is lunch time and while cleaning out my desk I came across a December REOPRTER. Sliding back in my chair so as to relax a bit I started to reflect. Of all the work going across my desk, what seems to be the most important? The things that came to mind were those activities that start or have a chain-like affect.

An example of a chain reaction is as follows: A couple of months ago a letter filtered down from Director Mott's office—"This Scout Roundtable needs a speaker", and Superintendent Newlin adds his note, "Please take care of this".

Just another routine job to handle, or is it? If you handle it routinely it will give similar results. With Scout group talks it seems best to take along some project ideas and work them in through your talk. Some talks are given to Scouts as a man would go fishing without bait, it is a nice walk but nothing is gained.

Several weeks later after the alk we received our first "nibble". need a project for this youth working on his Eagle Scout rank." So we got together and planned a project, totally voluntary. By Easterweek the project was completed and the duck walks installed which assisted young ducklings in obtaining a sheltered place from cats and dogs in the Sutter's Fort duck pond.

Now what did these duck walks to an island do for developing a chain reaction? The Scouts know we Park people keep our word and we do have projects (50 people there). The Scout's family and relatives. are proud (15 people there). The visitors that day watched the installation program (100 people there). We have received several (25 plus people) miscellaneous contacts since then, the Scouter is enthused and is trying to line up another Scouter to finish the total project, the Ranger participated in an uplifting activity, the Scouter in the future feels a part of the Park System and will radiate this feeling on to an untold number of citizens.

Now we, the Park, received directly, at least lohours of labor d \$10.00 worth of material volunered to us. Some will see it that way, others will see it as a builder

of character, citizenship, and enjoyment, with a radiating effect touching over 90 people and still rippling along.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING—MAY 12, 1973 AT WOOKLAKE INN, 500 LEISURE LANE, SACRAMENTO

#### Effective Letter Requirements

Here are some hints on how to compose an effective letter to your Legislator. The information is from the National Recreation and Parks Association and was clipped by Bill Krumbein.

\*Know the issue and make this clear in your letter.

\*Write early in the session if you have ideas you would like to see incorporated in legislation.

\*Write the chairman or members of a committee holding hearings on legislation in which you are interested, but remember that you have more influence with senators and congressmen from your own state and district.

\*Relate local events or problems to national issues whenever possible.

\*Be courteous and reasonable.

\*Write when your spokesman
does something you approve of, not
just to criticize.

\*Include pertinent editorials from local papers or magazines.

\*Avoid form letters or mimeograph letters.

\*Don't apologize for writing and taking his time.

\*Mention people of mutual acquaintance or any specific connection you have with an issue.

\*Don't be vague.

\*Don't ignore your representative or senator because you disagree with him.

You can send a 15-word telegram called a Public Opinion Message (P.O.M.) to the President, Vice President or Congressman from anywhere in the United States fro only \$1.20. Your name and address are not counted as part of the message unless there are additional signers. The rate for wires sent to your governor and state legislators is \$1.00.

MESSAGE...from page 1

Education and Training: Chairman Ray Patton fo the Santa Cruz Mountains Area takes over this committee. We will continue our committment of awarding two Audubon Scholarships each year but, in addition, Chairman Patton and his committee will direct their efforts towards providing scholarships for members as an aid in furthering their career development plans. I can forsee personal development benefits in extension courses, trade schools, related seminars, and other special training. Also this committee will study the merits of increased rotational training assignments at all field levels. Now such training assignments are generally limited to the higher classes . where management potential has already been demonstrated. I believe such potential should be developed at an earlier point in time and this is what we want the committee to explore. Rotational assignments among all classes at the field level can only result in developing management potential at an early level and in an improved relationship between classes because one will understand the other and his job. I believe this committee will produce a definite benefit, a measurable benefit, one which will return membership dues to the membership in the form of opportunity.

These are just a few of the things we're going to do with your money. I am honestly excited over the increased interest and the plain and simple fact that we can, and will, build into an association worthy of its standards and objectives.

I have just learned CSPRA will have a member on the reorganized Uniform Committee Task Force. This is a real progressive step and I have appointed a progressive member to serve. This will be Ranger II Ken Jones, now Asilomar Training Center training coordinator. Ken is in good position to observe and represent you.

My personal thanks to all who contributed to the success at Morro Bay and to all members for their continuing support.

/s/Jack Welch President

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SAT. AFTERNOON... from page 1 handling chemicals and also the proper storage of chemicals. Knowing exactly what the problem is, whether it be insects, fungus, or whatever, is the first step in trying to solve it. A lot of time, material, and money can be wasted if the wrong solution is applied to a problem that you failed to identify correctly to begin with. Dr. Gaskin briefly covered several new areas of research on pest control that will hopefully in the future get us completely away from the use of dangerous chemical pesticides we use now. One was the use of hormones that act specifically on the pest you'r trying to control. An example is a sexual attractant trap used in the control of the Gypsy Moth which is a problem in the eastern states. Another area is the use of radiation to sterilize a pest/ and introduce it into the area where pests of the same type are a problem. This action causes the pest to fail to reproduce future generations and thus reduces their population drastically. Dr. Gaskin's talk applied to all of us both at work and at home. Be sure you know what your problem is first, and then apply the right solution. If you are not completely up to date on the latest controls for pests, etc., then consult an expert in the field. Your local county, state, or federal agricultural agency has all the expertise to help you.

The other presentation on Saturday was given by Dr. Woody Lehman a professional photographer. He presented a slide show that he had prepared for "Earth Day" a few years ago and then conducted a question and answer period on the use of 35mm cameras and various lens setups and on the use of various films. show was fantastic. The slide Titled "The Little Things in Life", it dealt with the beautiful little things that make a large beautiful panoramic scene. The close up photography was just unbelievable. By using two synchronized slide projectors and a pre-taped sound tract that had music, bird songs, etc. as background for his narrative which was also pre-taped, the result was out of this world. The following question-answer period dealt mainly in how Dr. Lehman captured those great closeup shots. The main point stressed was that if you are going to take good pictures you are going to have to buy a good versatile single lens reflex camera with interchangeable lens-and that

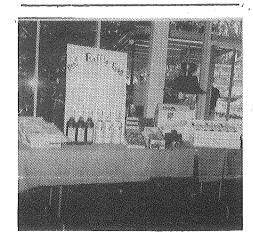
#### ranger thwarts arson attempt

Clipped from the Valley Press by Bill Fait

Wayne Dennis, Henry Cowell Redwoods State Park recently made a citizens arrest when he observed a man throw a lighted flare on the steps of the Memorial Library in Felton.

Dennis was on his way to the cleaners with bridemaids! dresses for his daughter's wedding when he witnessed the crime.

Questioned by Dennis, the suspect indicated that he was against the libraries "Hidden" policies.



GEC RAFFLE TABLE—Clyde Strickler & his helpers had all this loot to rafle away at the banquet.

means MONEY! So save your coins and buy a good camera. After you have your camera the accessories needed to produce that special picture you want are almost unlimited.

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#### Curbing the Countryside Litter

By: Julian C. Dixon
Assemblyman, Los Angeles
Clipped from the San Francisco
Examiner/Chronicle by Dave
Bartlett

A once beautiful California is rapidly becoming the dumping ground for all too many of the 48 billion cans and 28/billion bottles discarded by Americans every year. Each day in California there are 10 million non-returnable beer and soft drink containers sold, many of which clutter our highways and choke our streams.

It costs American taxpayers nearly \$1.5 million each year to collect and dispose of beverage containers. In addition to the solid waste disposal and litter crisis, "flip-tops" of metal beverage containers and fragments of throwaway bottles present a major safety threat to consumers. Something must be done—now.

Several of my collegues have joined with me in introducing legislation requiring a minimum 5 cent refund on all beer and soft dring containers sold in California (and after Jan. 1, 1975. The bill, AB 594, would also ban any metal beverage containers without the aid of a can opener. I am convinced that enactment of this measure will reduce the tremendous defilement...

Several bills have been defeated in both the Assembly and Senate in past years. I believe that AB 594 will have a better chance of passage because of similar legislation in the State of Oregon in October of last year. Only public pressure will spare AB 593 from well financed opposition form the beverage industry...



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